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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor David Dermer and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager

DATE: February 13, 2006

SUBJECT: More Parks and Recreation Updates!

On Saturday, January 21, the City of Miami Beach Cheerleading X-treme, Lightning and Bolts squads competed in the Fourth Annual Miami Heat Spring Floor Cheer and Dance Classic held at the American Airlines Arena. This was the first time all three squads attended a competition together. The sixty-three girls and one boy cheered, tumbled, and danced their way to three first place titles. The judges were so impressed with their amazing routines that they invited the X-treme squad to return and perform at the Miami Heat vs. Sacramento Kings pre-game show the following day. The squad stunned the crowd and received a standing ovation.

On Friday, January 27, the Play-Time Program, held at Flamingo Park, taught their three and four year old children the importance of starting the day off the healthy way during their "Breakfast in Pajamas" event. The children had an opportunity to learn the importance of a well-balanced breakfast while enjoying the comfort of home (pajamas). The group was exposed to a variety of foods such as fruits, toast, cereal, whole-grain waffles, orange juice and milk.

We are also proud to announce a new bowling league for adults with disabilities. This new league gives Special Populations Programs throughout Miami-Dade and Broward County the opportunity to meet new people and compete in a friendly environment on a weekly basis. So far, the Cities of Miami, Hialeah, and Pembroke Pines as well as Mac Town Group Home and Peer Link Special Needs Program have joined the league!

Should you have additional questions, please contact Kevin Smith at (305) 673-7730.

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